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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the last full paragraph on page 8 which bridges page 9 with the following amended paragraph.

The above and other objects and features of the present invention will become apparent from the following description of preferred embodiments given in conjunction with the accompanying drawing, ~~[[which]]~~ in which Fig. 1 schematically shows ceramic grains 1, outer portions thereof 2, inner portions thereof 5, and grain boundaries 4 of a sintered body 3.